

IN THE LEGISLATURE.

Routine Proceedings Transacted Yesterday at Charleston.

BENWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT BILL.

Reported Adversely in the House. Bills Introduced in the Two Branches—Measures Passed—A New Bill in Regard to the Furnishing of School Books—Committee Reports. The Legislative Ball Last Evening.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., Jan. 24.—The house committee on judiciary reported favorably on house bills 129, authorizing the Mineral county court to change the boundary lines between Keyser and New Creek districts; 193, amending section 14, chapter 39, of the code, and 192, amending chapter 44, acts of 1893, and adversely on house bills 186, amending section 3, chapter 63, of the code; 187, amending section 11, chapter 36, of the code; and 188, regulating the collection of costs in misdemeanor cases; also a substitute for 187, concerning gaming, lotteries, etc., without recommendation.

The committee on education reported adversely on bill 60, to create the independent school district of Benwood.

Committee on county, district and municipal corporations reported favorably on house bill 182, amending the charter of Bluefield.

Petitions from citizens of Lewis, Preston, Harrison and Boone, asking for the creation of a state highway commission and passage of what is known as the Edwards' road bill were presented.

Mr. Harmer introduced house joint resolution 21, providing for the publication of forms to aid justices and constables in the performance of their duties. Re-ordered to the judiciary committee.

Mr. Pearson presented a petition from citizens of Wirt county, asking passage of the bill that county officers be paid a fixed salary, and that all fees be paid into the county treasury; also fixing the terms of county commissioners at two years.

NEW BILLS INTRODUCED.

194, by Purdy, authorizing the trustees of the Mountaineer M. E. church to remove bodies from the old burying ground of that church; 195, by Morris, authorizing the town of Hampsville to issue bonds for oil and gas purposes; 196, by Stapleton, making dogs personal property, stealing of same larceny and dog poisoning a crime; 197, by Hess, providing for working fines on roads; 198, by Jones, amending the law relating to license tax on billiard and pool tables; 199, by McKnight, providing that all school books be sold by the secretary of boards of education at a profit not to exceed 10 per cent, to be fixed by the board.

Mr. White presented a petition from Lyon post, G. A. R., of Independence, Preston county, asking for the passage of the Gettysburg monument bill.

Mr. Toler called up the resolution authorizing the appointment of an assistant door keeper. Mr. Stapleton moved that it be indefinitely postponed. Mr. Brady amended by detailing committee clerks, when unemployed, to assist in preserving order, which was adopted.

Mr. McDonald offered a resolution directing the judiciary committee to inquire as to the advisability of amending the election law by requiring persons coming to the state and desiring to vote to file with the county clerk, at least ten months before election, a declaration of his intention to become a citizen. It was referred to the judiciary committee.

The speaker announced the appointment of Messrs. Pyle, Dandridge and Anderson as a committee on the part of the house to visit the penitentiary.

Messrs. Pipes, Bumgardner and Hawkins were granted leaves of absence.

Senate bills 15, relating to fees of officers; 26, authorizing the appointment of deputy clerks for criminal courts; 21, relating to suits in partnership name; 33, relating to the school for the deaf and blind, were ordered to their second reading.

House bill 24, concerning county courts, their jurisdiction and powers, was read for the third time and passed. The house then adjourned.

IN THE SENATE.

New Bills Introduced and Measures Passed at Yesterday's Session.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., Jan. 24.—The committee on counties, districts and municipal corporations reported favorably on senate bill No. 65, amending the charter of Wellsburg.

The committee on public buildings reported favorably on senate bill No. 17, establishing a reform school for girls.

Mr. Scott, by request, introduced senate joint resolution No. 9, providing for the appointment of a special joint committee to investigate as to the respective merits and prices of school books, proposed and report as early as possible.

New bills introduced: 80, by Patton, authorizing the school district of St. Albans to issue bonds; 99, by Young, to relieve the sureties on the bond of J. A. Williamson, late sheriff of Barbour county; 91, by Lockney, providing that school books be furnished by secretaries of boards of education at a profit not to exceed 10 per cent; 92, by Whitaker, by request, amending the charter of Benwood; 93, by Scott, relating to the preservation of fish in private streams and ponds; 94, by Farr, relating to life, health, accident and annuity on the mutual or assessment plan; 95, by Furber, amending section 29, chapter 45, of the code, relating to state board of examiners; 96, by Henderson, amending section 20, chapter 43, of the code, concerning the collection and levying of road taxes.

THE OLD-FASHIONED STYLE

of pill gives you a feeling of horror when you see it and when you feel it. Like the "blunderbuss" of a former decade, it is big and clumsy, but not effective. In this century of enlightenment, you have Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets, which cure all liver troubles in the most effective way. For Indigestion, Constipation, Bilious Attacks, Sick and Bilious Headaches, nothing has been found to equal these little pills of Dr. Pierce's invention.

Dr. Samuel Barker, Esq., of No. 161 Summit St., Philadelphia, Pa., says: "There is nothing that can compare with Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets as a liver pill. They have done me more good than any other medicine I have ever taken."

cerning the collection and levying of road taxes.

Mr. Patton offered a resolution allowing the use of the senate chamber for the legislative ball, which was adopted.

Senate bills No. 11, establishing a criminal court in Summers county; No. 14, providing for special judges of the supreme court in certain cases; No. 39, Mr. Finley's bill relating to state licenses, and No. 43, extending the time for the correction of erroneous assessments, were passed, No. 14 to take effect from its passage.

Adjourned to 2 o'clock Friday.

WORK OF COMMITTEES.

Embryo Legislation Now in the Hands of the Different Committees.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., Jan. 24.—The joint committee on education was in session nearly all this afternoon receiving propositions from representatives of various school book firms now here. Representatives of H. Wellsworth, Maynard, Merrill & Co., Gun & Co., D. C. Heath & Co., American Book Company, J. B. Lippincott Company, E. H. Butler & Co., Thompson, Brown & Co., Christopher Lower & Co. and A. S. Lovell & Co. presented claims and prices. All were given a careful hearing and the committee adjourned till 2 o'clock Friday night, when the matter will be considered further.

Bills were introduced in both the senate and house to-day providing that all text books be furnished by secretaries of boards of education at a profit not to exceed ten per cent of the wholesale price, the prices asked to be fixed by the boards. The bill was introduced in the senate by Mr. Lockney and in the house by Mr. McKnight. It is not expected that the committee will make a final report on this matter for several days.

The joint judiciary committee in session this afternoon considered house bills 21 and 92, both of which were thoroughly discussed. Dr. W. P. Ewing, of this state board of health, advocated the former bill, while Drs. Barber and Thomas, of this city, on behalf of the Medical and Surgical Society of the Kanawha Valley, appeared for the latter bill. After due consideration the committee decided to report favorably as to the former and adversely as to the latter bill.

The house committee on human institutions and public buildings will report adversely to-morrow on house bill 51, introduced by Mr. Purdy, and house bill 57, introduced by Mr. Brady, establishing an industrial home for girls. The reason for this action is that the bill covering the subject matter is now pending in the senate, and will be accepted by friends of the project in the house.

Mr. Greer's bill No. 136, providing for all executions of the death penalty at the penitentiary, seems in a fair way to pass. It provides for the appointment of a state executioner. It might be generally supposed that there would be difficulty in securing anyone willing to accept this position, but Mr. Greer informed the INTELLIGENCER to-day that when a similar measure was pending two years ago, he received a letter from a resident of Cabell county, asking for a recommendation for the appointment, in the event of the passage of the bill. The electrocution bill has not yet been reported by the committee.

A meeting of the people of Charleston was held at the opera house this afternoon to act in relation to the bill now pending for the consolidation of Charleston and Elk City. Major J. E. Dana presided. Ex-Governor Wilson and others spoke against the bill in its present form, and Hon. H. C. McWhorter and others advocated it. Resolutions were adopted asking that a provision submitting the proposition to the voters of the two cities be embodied in the bill, and a committee of thirty was appointed to see that this was done.

LEGISLATIVE BALL.

And Reception Last Night a Great Success. The Affair Very Largely Attended.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., Jan. 24.—The reception and ball in honor of the legislature, tendered by the citizens at the state house to-night, was a brilliant success. All parts of the state were represented by distinguished people. The attendance was large and every detail of the affair was successfully handled by the active and efficient committee of arrangements.

The reception was held in the hall of the house, and in the receiving line were Governor and Mrs. May MacCorkle, ex-Governor and Mrs. Wilson, Hon. and Mrs. W. E. Chilton, State Treasurer J. M. Rowan, Auditor I. V. Johnson, Hon. Virgil A. Lewis and wife, Hon. J. H. Huling and wife, General J. W. St. Clair and wife, Hon. E. W. Staunton and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Robinson and Major Ed. W. S. Moore. The ball was given in the senate chamber, which was beautifully decorated for the occasion, and the floor was filled with joyous dancers. Rischer's orchestra furnished the music for both the reception and ball. The grand march was led by Grif T. Smith, who arrived here from Washington to-day.

The supper was a triumph of culinary art, and was served in the state library and supreme court room.

The committee of arrangements consisted of: C. M. Gallaher, chairman; W. C. Beury, F. M. Richardson, W. T. Thayer, John Baker White, Percy G. Rowan, Fred Schwamb, A. L. Wood and A. D. MacCorkle.

Murdered Her Mother.

New York, Jan. 24.—Mrs. Margie Gill was arraigned in Jefferson Market police court to-day and confessed to the murder of her mother.

Last Saturday night Mrs. Gill and her mother, Ellen Morrissey, quarreled, which led to a fight. Mrs. Gill admits that she beat her mother over the head and body, and that she died on last Tuesday as a result of the beating. Mrs. Gill wept bitterly in court when she entered her plea, and was so weak that she had to be supported by an officer when she was removed to the Tombs.

A Woman's Suicide.

OAKLAND, CAL., Jan. 24.—Mrs. Bessie Webb Loughbridge, wife of Prof. R. H. Loughbridge, of the University of California, took her life yesterday by drinking carbolic acid at her home in Berkeley. In a note found on her bureau she bade her husband good bye, and in affectionate language assured him that no fault of his prompted the act, that though he had done everything in his power to make her happy, her ill-health made life insupportable.

Miss Peel's Engagement.

LONDON, Jan. 24.—The engagement of Miss Peel, eldest daughter of the speaker of the house of commons, the Right Honorable Arthur Wellesley Peel, to Honorable Arthur Wellesley Peel, a member of parliament for the west division of Clare, and the friend and partner of the Right Honorable Cecil Rhodes, premier of Cape Colony, is a matter which has caused much interesting comment in political circles.

RANDOLPH CHURCHILL.

Member of the Ex-Chancellor of the Ex-Chequer and the Leader of the Commons.

LONDON, Jan. 24.—Lord Randolph Churchill, an ex-minister and leader of the house of commons, died at 6 o'clock this morning.

Lord Randolph Henry Spencer-Churchill was the second son of the seventh duke of Marlborough, and was born February 13, 1819, and educated at Marston College, Oxford. He represented Woodstock in the house of commons from February, 1874, until April 1880, and again from that time (when he was returned with a diminished majority) until November, 1885. He afterward stood for Binghampton, but was defeated and was then returned for South Paddington. From 1874 to 1880 he was almost silent in the house; but from 1870 onward he made himself conspicuous against the liberal party, and he was the chief member of that small section of the house known as the "Fourth party."

On the accession of Lord Salisbury's government to office in 1885, Lord Randolph Churchill filled the post of secretary of state for India. His short tenure of the India office was marked by the annexation of Upper Burma. He resigned office with Lord Salisbury, to return, after six months, as chancellor of the exchequer and leader of the house of commons; but to the surprise of all he resigned his membership suddenly in December of the same year.

In 1874 Lord Randolph married Miss Jennie Jerome, a daughter of the late Leonard Jerome, of New York. She has since become a prominent member of the Primrose League. Lord and Lady Churchill visited this country, for the first time in many years, last summer, and then continued westward on a tour of the world, from which they returned, landing at Marseilles, December 22. This voyage was undertaken for the benefit of Lord Randolph's health, which was badly shattered when he landed in New York, July last. Lord Randolph leaves, beside a widow, two sons, Winston Leonard, born in 1874, and John Henry, born in 1880.

During the morning a private funeral service for the family only was held at the Churchill residence on Grosvenor Square. The remains will be interred Monday next at Bladon church, near Blenheim, where the two younger brothers of Lord Randolph are buried. The mother of Lord Randolph, Frances Ann Emily, duchess of Marlborough, wife of the seventh duke of Marlborough, is seriously ill.

THE IRON TRADE.

Little Change Noticeable Since the Beginning of the Year.

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 24.—The Iron Trade Review says: The iron trade has come down to the last week of January with little change in actual conditions since the opening of the year, but with increasing signs of the enlarged volume that will result from present planning. The week has brought further evidence that the year will be fairly active in lake ship-building, and demand from that source already has brought several good contracts into the mills. Structural work on foot in the east, beside the big contract noted last week, will make mills in that section comfortable, once specifications begin to come in. That the incursions of western mills, so notable a year ago, have been checked in the east of late, may be attributed in part to the maintenance of more uniform rates by the railroads—a policy that promises to prevent more and more.

Pig iron, apart from the firmer feeling in Bessemer, shows further signs of weakness. There has been little selling since the new year opened, and buyers are pressing for inducements to place even moderate orders.

Among makers of Bessemer pig in Ohio and Western Pennsylvania the practical certainty of a small advance in ore prices may help to maintain the better feeling noticed in the past ten days, but the reduction on coke freights proves a partial offset, as the tendency will be to give that to the buyer. Sales of Bessemer pig at \$10.10.15, Pittsburgh, are reported, and at \$9.45 in the valley. The filling up of several mills on billet contracts has strengthened that market, and \$14.55.15, Pittsburgh, is the present range.

Cast iron pipe contracts are being made by a number of municipalities and at the lowest figures ever recorded. Wire rod mills are busy and a number are sold well ahead. Wire nails at 55c have been an active market of late. Only the largest output can stand such a price, and another determined effort for an advance is talked of. Rail orders are still held back. An Ohio mill has contracts for 2,500 tons.

West Virginian Appointed.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

PARKERSBURG, W. VA., Jan. 24.—F. Muenchmeyer received the appointment this afternoon as consul at San Salvador, West Indies. It is worth about \$3,000 a year.



KNOWLEDGE

Brings comfort and improvement and tends to personal enjoyment when rightly used. The many who live better than others and enjoy life more, with less expenditure, by more promptly adapting the world's best products to the needs of physical being, will attest the value to health of the pure liquid laxative principles embraced in the remedy, Syrup of Figs.

Its excellence is due to its presenting in the form most acceptable and pleasant to the taste, the refreshing and truly beneficial properties of a perfect laxative: effectually cleansing the system, dispelling colds, headaches and fevers and permanently curing constipation. It has given satisfaction to millions and met with the approval of the medical profession, because it acts on the Kidneys, Liver and Bowels without weakening them and it is perfectly free from every objectionable substance.

Syrup of Figs is for sale by all druggists in 50c and \$1 bottles, but it is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only, whose name is printed on every package, also the name, Syrup of Figs, and being well informed, you will not accept any substitute if offered.

A Handsome Complexion

Is one of the greatest charms a woman can possess. "Fozzom's COMPLEXION POWDER" gives it.



ABSOLUTELY PURE
THE OLD RELIABLE
SWEET CAPORAL
CIGARETTE

Has stood the Test of Time
MORE SOLD THAN ALL OTHER
BRANDS COMBINED

SOLE IMPORTER

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

MADE IN U.S.A.

REDUCTION SALE—GEO. R. TAYLOR.

Geo. R. Taylor.

ANOTHER REDUCTION!

Cloth Capes,
Cloth Jackets,
Cloth Coats.

Lowest prices ever reached. All new Cloth Capes, Jackets and Coats Marked Down to just

Half-Price!

Not a cent more than Half-Price will be asked for any of them however fine and desirable they may be. This sale will commence this, Monday, morning. In addition we offer at a still greater sacrifice 100 JACKETS and CAPES and LONG GARMENTS, bought in the spring, at only

\$4.00

Each, none of which were less than \$8, and most of them from \$15 to \$35. This sale will be conducted in our Market street room. Will continue only a few days.

GEO. R. TAYLOR.

NEW EMBROIDERIES.

Our New Embroideries and Torchon, French Val. and Normundy Val. Laces are in and will be shown, when inquired for, on second floor until the 1st of February.

GEO. R. TAYLOR.

HOUSEFURNISHING GOODS.



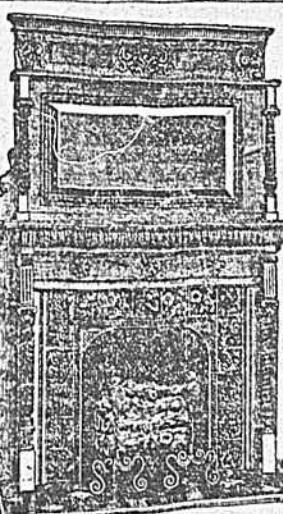
A GOOD STOVE is an economy. A poor one the worst kind of extravagance. Study carefully the many merits of the

Cinderella Range

and you will see wherein many others are inferior!

NESBITT & BRO.,

1312 Market Street. City Agents.



Wood and Slate Mantels!

STEEL RANGES.

B. F. Caldwell & Co.,

1508 and 1510 Market St. ANTI

JUST OUT Galvanized Wash Tubs,

The most durable article made for laundry use. As cheap as the old style wooden tub, and will outwear a dozen of them.

GEORGE W. JOHNSON'S SONS,

1210 MAIN STREET.

PHOTOGRAPHY.

T. H. Higgins,

PHOTOGRAPHER,

del 42 Twelfth Street